

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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**Divisional Application of USSN 09/744,438**

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For: LAMINATE WITH GAS BARRIER PROPERTIES, PRODUCTION METHOD  
THEREFOR, AND PAPER CONTAINER EMPLOYING SAID LAMINATE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

**Cross Reference to Related Applications**

This is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 09/744,438 filed January 24, 2001, which is the National Stage of PCT Application No. PCT/JP99/03925 filed July 22, 1999; the above noted prior applications are all hereby incorporated by reference.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please cancel claims 12-21 without prejudice or disclaimer.**